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LETTER DATED 26 MARCH 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF DENMARK TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text in English and French of a statement on the report of the Commission on the Truth in El Salvador issued by the European Community and its member States on 25 March 1993.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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to the United Nations

Annex

[Original: English and French]

Statement from the Community and its member States on the report of the Commission on the Truth in El Salvador

The European Community and its member States welcome the submission and publication of the report of the Commission on the Truth in El Salvador.

They express their support for the statement on the report of the Commission on the Truth of 18 March 1993 by the President of the United Nations Security Council.

They believe that an early, full and integral implementation of all recommendations will be crucial for achieving national reconciliation and consolidation of peace in El Salvador.

In this context, the European Community and its member States note with concern that the Salvadorean parliament, upon the Government's initiative, has approved an "extensive, absolute and unconditional" amnesty before the full implementation of the Ad Hoc Commission's recommendations and before putting into effect the conclusions of the Commission on the Truth. They emphasize that this step, which can only contribute positively to national reconciliation if it receives broad support in Salvadorean society, should not prejudice the full implementation of the recommendations of the Commission on the Truth.